

\$ 7.8 MILLION FOR VETERANS HOSPITAL IN SAN JUAN Tuesday, March 24, 2009

WASHINGTON, DC- The Veterans Hospital in San Juan will receive \$7.8 million for repair work and renovation, as part of the funds appropriated in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, as reported to Resident Commissioner Pedro Pierluisi.

The funds are divided into nine parts: \$3.6 million for repair and improvement of the electrical substation, \$1.43 million for the renovation of external care facilities, \$1.3 million to install a new emergency generator, \$419,812 to replace the sanitary system, \$390,390 for the community center elevators, \$383,741 to replace the cooling towers and \$172,104 to install a modern oxygen system.

\$126,500 will also be allocated to address issues related to the security of the water distribution system and approximately \$10,000 will be allocated to evaluate the viability of installing a solar photovoltaic system.

"These funds for the Veterans Hospital are yet another benefit from the Recovery Bill. They are focused on improving the facilities for the medical care of veterans who, having fought for our nation, deserve appropriate treatment provided in modern and well- equipped facilities," the Resident Commissioner said.

Furthermore, certain veterans will receive a payment of \$250 in June 2009, also pursuant to the Recovery Bill.

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